

Department of Military Affairs and Public Safety
West Virginia Parole Board

Mission

The mission of the West Virginia Parole Board is to release those inmates eligible for parole who will not be a menace, danger, or threat to society and who have displayed suitability for early release, based upon all available information.

Operations

- Interview inmates when they are eligible.
- Conduct careful, analytical studies of court orders and files that lead to establishing proper parole eligibility dates.
- Comply with court orders and statutes.
- Issue monthly institutional parole interview lists.
- Provide notice to sentencing judge, prosecuting attorney, victims, and arresting officers.
- Supply documents to inmates prior to parole hearing.
- Release inmates according to mission statement.
- Conduct careful, analytical reviews of information in file statements made by inmates during parole hearings held by three parole board members.
- Consider all facts and testimony of the preliminary parole revocation hearings and determine if a final revocation hearing should be held or reinstatement to parole status should be issued.
- Review executive clemency applications (investigate and process recommendations for the Governor).

Goals/Objectives

- Educate victims of crime regarding the parole process and their involvement.
- Educate the public regarding various parole issues beginning with the involvement of the criminal justice programs at various colleges.
- Initiate public relations contact with various organizations so they can better understand the system and the issues.
- Expand upon parole and/or revocation hearings being held via teleconferencing at regional jail sites.

Performance Measures

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Actual 2002</u>	<u>Actual 2003</u>	<u>Estimated 2004</u>	<u>Actual 2004</u>	<u>Estimated 2005</u>	<u>Estimated 2006</u>
Inmates eligible for parole consideration	2,016	2,100	2,610	2,490	2,714	2,958
Inmates granted parole	571	575	939	784	855	931
Total inmates on parole	1,400	1,400	1,596	1,728	1,884	2,053
Paroles revoked due to technical reasons or new felony convictions	228	225	290	298	325	354

Recommended Improvements

- ✓ Includes \$26,780 for one support staff FTE.
- ✓ Includes \$18,164 for personal services merit pool.
- ✓ Includes \$24,550 for operating expenses (rent, travel, and training).

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Expenditures

	TOTAL FTE POSITIONS 11/30/2004	ACTUALS FY 2004	BUDGETED FY 2005	REQUESTED FY 2006	GOVERNOR'S RECOMMENDATION
EXPENDITURE BY PROGRAM					
WV Parole Board	10.00	\$592,718	\$613,450	\$613,450	
Less: Reappropriated		0	0	0	
TOTAL BY PROGRAM	10.00	592,718	613,450	613,450	687,063
EXPENDITURE BY FUND					
General Fund					
FTE Positions		10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00
Total Personal Services		337,830	349,495	349,495	381,893
Employee Benefits		115,929	127,119	127,119	142,202
Other Expenses		138,959	136,836	136,836	162,968
Less: Reappropriated		0	0	0	0
Subtotal: General Fund		592,718	613,450	613,450	687,063
Federal Fund					
FTE Positions		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Personal Services		0	0	0	0
Employee Benefits		0	0	0	0
Other Expenses		0	0	0	0
Subtotal: Federal Fund		0	0	0	0
Appropriated Special Fund					
FTE Positions		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Personal Services		0	0	0	0
Employee Benefits		0	0	0	0
Other Expenses		0	0	0	0
Less: Reappropriated		0	0	0	0
Subtotal: Appropriated Special Fund		0	0	0	0
Nonappropriated Special Fund					
FTE Positions		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Personal Services		0	0	0	0
Employee Benefits		0	0	0	0
Other Expenses		0	0	0	0
Subtotal: Nonappropriated Special Fund		0	0	0	0
TOTAL FTE POSITIONS BY FUND		10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES BY FUND		\$592,718	\$613,450	\$613,450	\$687,063